

Mirror editorials, etc.

Come on down!

If you haven't already done so this week, come on down! That is the call for this year's Pioneer Days celebration in downtown Carbondale.

If you enjoyed the first two years' celebration, then you should more than enjoy yourself this year.

And, whatever you do, don't miss the big parade scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 29, 1 p.m.

It will be worth the price of admission (even if it weren't free at all) to see the celebrities slated to be in the line of march.

Clayton Moore, the original Lone Ranger, will be the parade's grand marshal. Also appearing in the parade will be Oscar Robertson, the former NBA basketball great, and Carmen Basilio, the retired boxing champion.

Wow!

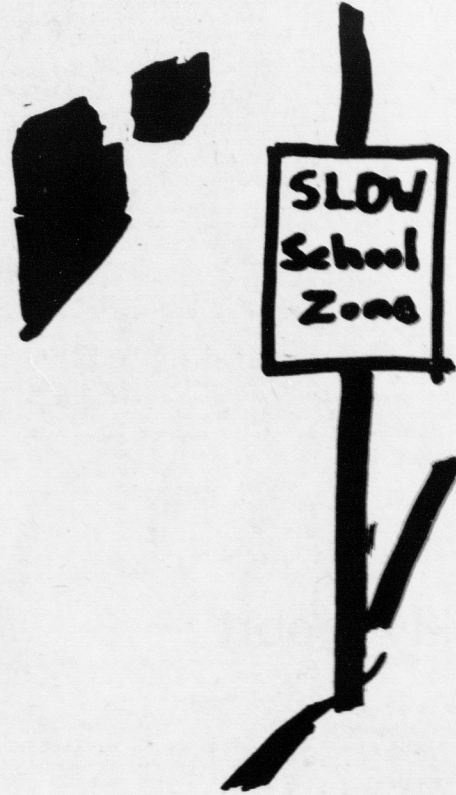
Summer's gone

Summer's nearing its end and that means school children will be going back to classes.

And that means that motorists will have to drive with care at all times as children make their way to and from school.

Too often, youngsters are too busy playing and talking while walking to school, not paying attention to the traffic as they cross intersections or walk along thoroughfares.

Again, we urge all motorists to take extra care when driving during those hours when school opens and closes each day.



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By NAN WATERS

REMARRIAGE

Recently we were invited to a wedding. This isn't a usual occurrence at our age, since most of our friends are already married. A matter of fact, we've gone to more divorces than recent ones.

These marriages were a little unusual, but then so were the principals involved. One was a very old and distinguished friend, the other (because she was marrying him), a very new and dear friend.

For both it was a second marriage, and because it was, it was beautiful in its simplicity, totally appropriate, and utterly charming.

Being a feminist, we were enchanted with the ceremony, a thirty-two-year-old minister with long brown hair, and a beautiful face, named Nancy. In her flowing white robes she reminded us of the evangelist played by Joan Simmons in "Elmer Gantry."

The ceremony itself was hardly traditional. The bride's father did not "give her away," like so much chatted. There was no "if anybody knows of any reason why, etc.," and the word "obedience" never came up.

The bridegroom, who is blessed with a magnificent, professionally trained, tenor voice, sang Sigmund Romberg's haunting, "Our Aloha" and "The Lord's Prayer," during the service.

Among the attendees were the bride's

young adult daughter, and the bridegroom's son and son-in-law.

Following the brief ceremony, the clergyman spoke softly and advisedly to the couple, telling them that they each "had a part, and would be merging two families."

At the end of her remarks, she leaned forward and kissed both of them.

As we sat there sobbing into our Kleenex (we always do at weddings), we thought of how times and people, and wedding and church traditions, and especially women's roles in all of this, have changed.

And how very nice to witness such a happy occasion, when all we've gone to in recent years were funerals and divorces.

Happy birthday

Happy birthday Aug. 23 to Mrs. Ann Swider, 540 Jefferson Ave., Jermyn, from her daughter, Jean Perkowski.

Happy birthday Aug. 27 to Mrs. Mary Senter, McKinley Ave., Jermyn, from her grandson, Jimmy Nicholson, Ellie, and great-granddaughter, Tricia Nicholson.

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IT'S THE LAW!

You may be disabled but not really "handicapped" unless you (1) have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of your major life activities, (2) have a record of such an impairment, and (3) are regarded as having such an impairment.

"Substantially limits..." concerns your degree of disability. A handicapped person who has a hard time getting a job, or getting ahead on the job because of a disability, would be considered "substantially limited."

As for your "major life activities," these include communication, ambulation, self-care, socialization, education, transportation, and employment. The main emphasis is on activities that in some way affect your employment.

For further information about employment laws affecting disabled people, write to the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, Washington, D.C. 20510.

"An old man in a house is a good sign," Benjamin Franklin

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor of the Carbondale Mirror are invited from readers and non-readers alike. Fair play and accuracy are the basic guidelines. The name, address, and telephone number of the writer is requested, but will be withheld from publication should the letterwriter ask so and provide a good reason. The editors of the Mirror reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Missed you

Ms. Nan Waters
Carbondale MIRROR

Dear Nan:

I was happy to read the first edition of the Carbondale MIRROR. I missed reading your interesting article in another Carbondale weekly. Keep up the good work. It makes my day.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Stewart (Jermyn)

On the way

Paul:
You're on your way!
Good luck in your new newspaper.
Dave Krantz

General Hospital sets screening

Carbondale General Hospital will sponsor a free blood pressure screening as part of the Pioneer Days celebration. The screening will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, from noon until 5 p.m. at Carbondale City Hall.

The free screening will be conducted by Mrs. Ronna Salansky, RN, in-service coordinator, and Mrs. Jean Kovalewski, RN, patient education nurse.

According to Mrs. Salansky, one out of every four adults suffers from high blood pressure. High blood pressure is a physical condition — it means the force of blood pressing against artery walls is too high.

High blood pressure does not always produce symptoms; having the blood pressure checked is the only way to detect hypertension.

The testing will be done in accordance with American Heart Association guidelines.

Apartment tenants are told: 'city is watching'

The following story is taken from a letter written by a resident of the Summit Gardens Apartments, a 12-building complex located behind the Carbondale Area High School. The complex was constructed amid controversy by landlords in the city voiced the opinion that the complex would draw its tenants from the small apartment buildings in the city.

"Behind this beautiful building sits 12 brand new buildings, housing 216 apartments, with a population of almost 900 people, including children and adults.

"Imagine, in this one area, housing almost one-tenth of Carbondale's population on 11.2 acres of land.

"Each building takes 18 apartments, with occupants ranging from newborns to retired adults. In detail we have six 3-bedroom, six 2-bedroom, and six 1-bedroom apartments — housing approximately 50 people or more, depending on family size, in each building.

"Just try and imagine having that many people in a building, along with children in and out many times a day, trying to keep 100 per cent total harmony.

"Well, surprisingly enough, it is done, although people from the outside seem to have a lot more to say.

"I, with my husband and children, moved here (Summit Gardens). It is the first time we ever lived apartment-style and it was a tremendous adjustment to us, as well as all the other people just in our own building. Just a little consideration for the other people around doesn't take much.

"The number of accidents among so many children as we have been minimal. Children have accidents on every street and playground of every town, so this isn't uncommon.

"Not long ago I ran into a woman down at the Plaza and our conversation led from one thing to another. Under the impression that when her husband passed away that she moved to the garden apartments, I asked her if it were so.

"Her reply was very sharp and curt: 'I wouldn't be caught dead living up that jungle.'

"At that point, not knowing where I was living, she asked me if I were still living where I had been. My reply was no, that I was living at Summit Gardens.

"Stumbling for words she said, 'Well, not everyone up there is bad.'

"How would you feel about an answer like that?

"Now you look at this situation and try to have an open mind. Remember we are almost 900 children and adults, 18 apartments each unit, and 12 units. We must have a set of rules and regulations; for if each person did as he felt, there could be continual war.

"The rules include: don't slam doors, no biking on the grounds, music and television must be turned down (not off) by 11 p.m.

"The catchiest one is that tenants are responsible for their guests' behavior while visiting. This is the biggest problem.

"The people of Carbondale hear what happens at the complex and in pure disgust the most common remark is, 'It's that Summit Gardens Apartments again! If they didn't build this, we wouldn't have all this trouble.'

"Or, 'I'm sure glad I don't live in that place.'

"Yes, we do have problems. With this many people how can you avoid it completely? But our main source of trouble are brought in here by outsiders.

"These people don't live here. And when they come, if a disturbance is caused, how can they care because they won't receive the letter from the office that tells you that your son and three of his friends (the ones who don't live here) caused a problem in a building last night and woke up most of the people.

"What about the carload of boys who drive through at 130 in the morning, throwing beer cans and bottles all over the parking lot? None of them even live here.

"Let's take the trail bikes running behind the building, close to the downstairs windows and the 84-year-old woman who is almost blind and is scared to death because she can't see how close they are to her window and if the window broke. Again, these are kids who don't even live up here, but they sure make enough trouble and noise around here.

"Then you have people come in here and walk off with the fire extinguishers out of our hall.

"Now we have the married woman who has taken her children and moved in. She is in the process of a divorce or legal separation. Maybe, 3 a.m. her husband leaves a local bar and decides it is a good time to talk to his wife and get things straightened out so that she will come home.

"In the coming, banging on the door. At this time just about everyone is in bed. She knows he's been drinking and is fearful that he will cause her or the children harm. She just isn't going to let him in, trying to reason with him through the door.

"He isn't in a reasonable mood and begins beating the door, kicking it and yelling profanities.

"Understand this is no longer a private home and more than likely 10 people have been awakened from their beds or disturbed watching television.

"Someone calls the police. At the police approach, people from the other buildings are out now. By this time you have a crowd.

"Next day, not only do most of the people living here know about it, but most of the city does by way of mouth.

"Somewhere from the other side of town you hear, 'See, I told you that place is nothing but trouble, and you wait and see it's going to get worse. They should never have built it.'

"As an individual, step out on your porch or sidewalk some night and take a good look around. Did the man up the street ever come home with a little too much under his belt, enter his home and verbally or physically abuse his wife and children?

"Or the lady across the street raising her teenage children alone — have any of her children or their friends ever cause a disturbance in your block?

"Did you ever have to pick up beer cans or bottles out of your hedges or front lawn?

"But because you live in a neighborhood that is mostly private homes, usually only one or two neighbors know there is a problem and you're not in the public eye.

"Maybe some of you should live down here just to see the compassion that is here. Especially for our retired citizens. These things aren't seen — never the good, only the bad.

"The eyes of Carbondale are upon you, Summit Gardens. You are being watched.



ROOM FULL OF ANTIQUES partially seen in photograph will be on display all week during Pioneer Days celebration. Exhibit is housed at former Crane Armory building on Eighth Avenue. See story. (Mirror photo by Ros-AI)

Public invited to exhibit

You can sit on a heavy, carved oak love seat, worth \$550, and listen to Kate Smith sing "The Marines Hymn" on a vintage wind-up Water-Conte Phonola.

You can pore over a white quilt fashioned in the early 1930s by women of First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale, and embroidered with their names. It was presented to Carbondale's first Republican mayor, A.F. Fey.

You can look through the tiny New Testament owned by Mayor Fey, and inscribed by him, "Carried this book asking support through four years of mayor of Carbondale, Pa., 1921-1931, signed, A. F. Fey."

You can enjoy a large photograph of two young sisters, painted in pink and yellow, and enased in a gold, beveled oval frame, and wonder who these area tots were.

If they're still living... which is doubtful... they would very probably be in their 90s.

Later, when the items are sold on consignments, 10 percent will be donated to the firefighters' fund. A regular flea market, benefiting the firemen, is an ongoing project of Evancho in the lobby of the old armory.

This week's special exhibit will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Evancho emphasized that a special ramp, for the convenience of the handicapped, is a special feature at the armory.

Revert to the days of yesteryear when you view an oak pump organ, made by the Corbin company at Washington, N.J., in the late 1890s; a church kneeler; oak wastebaskets and dressers; old bottles, glassware and china; and many, many more collectibles.

All of these items, Evancho told the MIRROR, are from the Carbondale area, and so should be of great interest to residents of the region.

Nothing sold
Browsers and visitors are welcome, but nothing will be sold until after the Pioneer Days observance.

Celebrity art
You can look over an art exhibit of celebrities.

Top of the town

HELLO TO Father Nicholas Albanese, former area Episcopal rector, who was seen visiting in downtown Carbondale last week.

We won't say where we saw him because it would ruin his fine reputation.

Well, Al Diagevelli of the Ros-AI Studio, is that true?

HADYN POWELL and Don Beard were talking with Mirror night editor Pete Smith last week.

But they were already warned not to believe a word he said.

So, readers, take heed, and don't believe Smith.

Want to SAY thank you for the fine

Reflections ...



LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE is what is written on the back of this week's Reflections photo. The date is April 13, 1923. The school was located at RD 1, Carbondale, Crystal Lake.

St. Joseph's comm center.

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tones that those using the phones will know if the phones are being used correctly.

Besides the basic dial tone, there is the recall dial tone which consists of three short tones followed by a steady tone, a confirmation tone which is three short tones, and a siren tone which tells the user that he or she made a mistake. A fast busy tone tells the caller that the program he or she punched into the system has been temporarily blocked.

Did you ever meet someone on the street who exasperatingly tells you that they had

been trying to reach you on an important matter "but the phone was busy?"

This problem is eliminated with the Dimension phone system. "If you are on the phone talking and you hear a soft beep it means that there is another call coming through on your line," Suter said. "Here at St. Joseph's we will also have a three-tone code which will indicate a top-priority call."

Those who may be patients waiting for hospital when the system goes into effect need not panic. A local call in the Carbondale area can still be made by dialing "9", waiting for the dial tone, and dialing a

number. What has been changed though, is the access for a Scretion line. Instead of dialing for the switchboard and requesting an open line, the patient need only dial the numbers "71" and the number.

The number at St. Joseph's Hospital will still remain as 282-2100. The only change for those calling in will consist of a change in the extensions. All will be four-digit numbers each beginning with "36".

So as of Sunday, Aug. 23 at 12:05 a.m., St. Joseph's Hospital, Carbondale, turned over to the new Dimension phone system — a system that St. Joseph's Hospital thinks will enable the upvalley medical center to better serve area residents.

BROWN-BAGGED SALAD



For an interesting change from hot-hum luncheon fare, try brown-bagging a crunchy, refreshing salad. "Tasty Tuna Totes" combine that lunchtime favorite, tuna, with celery, radishes and relish, all tossed with convenient bottled life Italian dressing for a sing flavor. Instead of a sandwich, pack the salad into a green pepper cup—it's easily lovable, completely edible and even low in calories! Add breadsticks, a wedge of cheese and a dash of hot or hot tea for a slimming brown-bagged lunch you'll want to have often!

TASTY TUNA TOTES
1 can (7 oz.) tuna packed in water, drained and flaked
1-1/4 cups chopped celery
1/2 cup sliced radishes
2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish
1/2 cup Wish-Bone® Life Italian Dressing
4 medium green peppers, cup
In medium bowl, combine tuna, celery, radishes and relish; toss with life Italian dressing. Spoon mixture into pepper cups; wrap and chill. Makes 4 servings. 140 calories per serving.

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